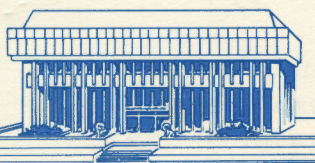


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ANDERSON TO DEDICATE LIBRARY

January 5 has been set for the dedication and open house of the recently completed headquarters building of the Anderson County Library system.

Harold V. Sullivan, Chairman of the Anderson County Library Board, will preside. The invocation will be given by the director of the library, C. R. Russell, who is also an ordained Episcopal minister. The Honorable William Jennings Bryan Dorn, Congressman from the Third District will deliver the dedicatory address. Mr. Dorn will be introduced by State Senator T. Ed Garrison.

The spacious building, which contains 26,740 square feet, is carpeted in all the public areas. One centrally located circulation desk serves both adults and children. A multipurpose room will be used for story hours, other library programs, and for meeting of civic groups.

The total cost of construction, equipment and furniture was \$670,000 of which \$100,000 was a grant from the Library Services and Construction Act administered by the State Library and a \$79,800 grant under the Appalachian Regional Development Act administered by the South Carolina Appalachian Commission.

A. Reese Fant of Anderson was the architect and Harper Builders of Williamston the building contractor. The interior decorations were designed by Remington Rand as part of the furniture and equipment contract.

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DISADVANTAGED PROJECTS APPROVED

Twenty-two Disadvantaged Projects have been approved by the South Carolina State Library for 1971-72. A total of \$120,000 has been budgeted for these projects. Among the approved were the five libraries which had pilot projects in 1970-71. They are Beaufort, Horry, Marion, Spartanburg and York county libraries. Urban projects will be conducted in both S. C. Model Cities locations, Rock Hill (York County) and Spartanburg.

Three libraries are contracting with neighboring counties for services to their disadvantaged. Chesterfield and McCormick counties will offer bookmobile service for the first time to their rural communities through contracts with the Darlington and Abbeville-Greenwood systems, respectively. Williamsburg County will contract with Florence County for the supervision of a project in the OEO headquarters in Kingstree. A contract with Sumter County for service to Clarendon County is being considered, awaiting at present the opening of OEO Centers in Clarendon County. Clarendon and Williamsburg currently contract with Florence and Sumter counties for bookmobile service.

Cooperation with other agencies has been a key factor in developing projects. In at least ten counties, libraries are developing programs in cooperation with OEO neighborhood centers, food stamp distribution centers, and head start programs. Four urban projects are being conducted in low-rent housing developments. Adult education directors contributed greatly to the development of several projects. Bookmobiles have been re-rerouted and re-stocked to reach the disadvantaged, and one library, Spartanburg, will have a specially equipped van furnished in cooperation with Model Cities to reach disadvantaged pre-schoolers.

STAFF ASSISTANCE GRANTS AVAILABLE UNDER DISADVANTAGED PROJECT

Dr. Carlyle Cross began work on December 1 with the ABBE Regional Library under the State Library's Staff Assistance Project, Services for the Disadvantaged. Dr. Cross will divide his time between working directly with the Regional Library's Disadvantaged Project and freeing two other staff members to work with projects in Aiken and North Augusta.

A recent graduate of the Florida State University's graduate library school, Dr. Cross has had reference experience with the Leon County Public Library in Tallahassee, Florida, and prior to that taught English at Limestone College, Gaffney, S. C., Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, N. C., and Northeast Missouri State College, Kirksville, Mo.

Although six libraries are eligible for staff assistance grants, only ABBE has been able to employ a person under the program.

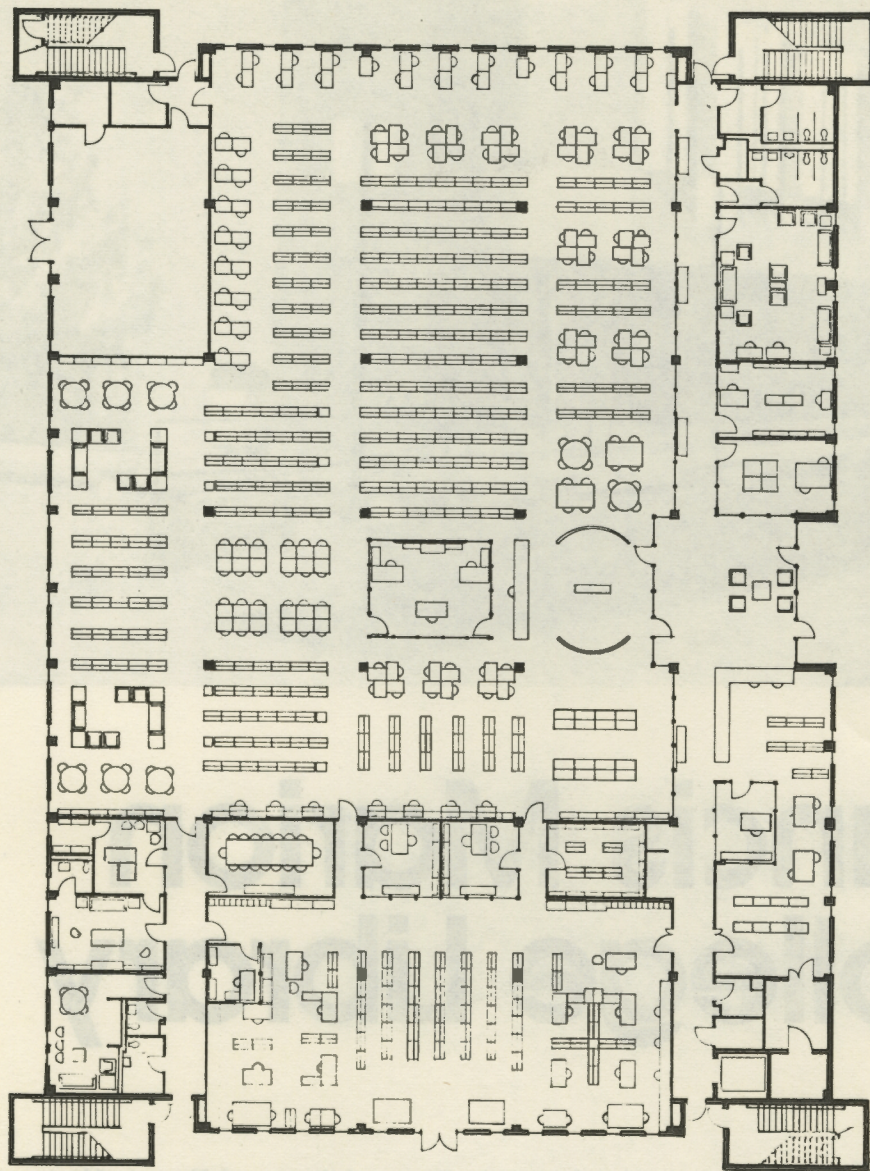


Francis Marion College Library

Featured this month is the James A. Rogers Library of Francis Marion College in Florence. Named for the former chairman of the State Library Board, the library was dedicated November 14, 1971. The two-story building was completed within a year at a cost of \$1,550,398.

Located at the center of the campus, the James A. Rogers Library was designed as a three-phase building project, to enable expansion as the college grows. Now in Phase I, the library is housed only on the first floor of the building. Seating for 210 persons and space for 80,000 volumes has been provided, as well as administrative and processing offices. The second floor has separate accessways and houses 26 faculty offices and 10 classrooms.

As Francis Marion College grows, the Library will expand to the second floor. A removable panel in the second floor slab will be removed and an internal stairway will be constructed near the lobby to connect the two floors. Use of both floors will increase the library's seating capacity to 500 readers and will increase book capacity to 150,000 volumes.



Phase III is designed to provide Francis Marion College with adequate library facilities for at least a quarter of a century. It will involve building extensions to the right and left of the present structure, doubling the seating capacity, and increasing book capacity to 250,000 volumes. It will also provide additional space for administrative and processing offices.

Architects for the project were Lyles, Bissett, Carlisle and Wolff Associates of Columbia. General contractor was T. A. Nye & Sons of Fairmont, North Carolina.

Interior Decorator was H. Glenn McGee. H. Joanne Harrar and Judson Drennan acted as special consultants.

J. Mitchell Reames is Director of the Library.

CHRISTMAS NOTED IN SOUTH CAROLINA LIBRARIES

The lions which dignify the entrance to the South Carolina State Library wore collars of holly with red bows during the holiday season.

For the second year, Radio Station WBEU made a contribution to the Beaufort County Library in the names of those merchants and others who were sponsors on the radio throughout the year in lieu of sending them Christmas cards and gifts. In accepting the check Mrs. James Ragsdale, Beaufort County Librarian, said that it would be used to purchase children's books for the bookmobile.

The Crescent Garden Club, with assistance of the Greenville Garden Club, beautified the Greenville County Library headquarters for Christmas. The Christ Church Children's choir sang Advent carols at the school-age children's story hour on December 10. The annual staff Christmas Dinner was held in the Thomas F. Parker Auditorium of the library December 16.

The Garden Club members placed Christmas decorations in the Anderson County Library.

Mrs. Rebecca Platts, County Home Economist, presented a Christmas Decoration Exhibit at the Hampton County Library, Allendale-Hampton-Jasper Regional Library, December 6-9.

J. C. Dowling, Master Flower Show Judge, exhibited ten Christmas arrangements of traditional, free form, and abstract design in the Cherokee County Library during Christmas.

The Christmas decorations at the St. Andrews branch of the Richland County Public Library were provided by the Nottingham Garden Club whose members transformed the library into a festive place with all the holiday trimmings.

GOVERNOR CALLS CONFERENCE ON DRUG ABUSE

Donald G. McLeese, Director, Commission on Narcotics and Controlled Substances, announces that Governor John C. West has set February 11 for the First Annual Governor's Conference on Drug Abuse. The conference will be held at the Sheraton Columbia Inn. Estellene P. Walker and Mrs. Alice Nolte will represent the State Library. Librarians who receive invitations are urged to make every effort to attend this important conference.

1972 BCIP

Although previously announced that there would be no Book Collection Improvement Project in 1971-72, the State Library has dug up funds for a limited BCIP project. A total of \$100,000 will be available for book purchase. Grants of \$3,000 will be made to counties with populations under 50,000; \$4,000 to counties of 50,000 to 100,000 population; and \$6,000 to counties of over 100,000 population. All participants must meet requirements for State and Federal aid and have made full use of previous BCIP grants.

Under terms of the project, the funds were designated for the purchase or rebinding of standard books of permanent value. At least one-half of the funds must be spent on improving the book collections for branches and bookmobiles. A number of select paperback books may also be purchased.

Public libraries receiving grant funds include Abbeville-Greenwood, ABBE, and Newberry-Saluda Regional Libraries and Anderson, Beaufort, Charleston, Cherokee, Chester, Colleton, Darlington, Fairfield, Florence, Greenville, Horry, Lancaster, Laurens, Lexington, Oconee, Pickens, Richland, Spartanburg, and Sumter county libraries.

NEWS NOTES OF LIBRARIES, LIBRARIANS, AND TRUSTEES

Aiken-Bamberg-Barnwell-Edgefield Regional Library

Miss Josephine Crouch, Director, announces the addition of two new staff members at the ABBE Regional Library, employed under grants from the South Carolina State Library.

Isabella Murtha will work with the special project designed to serve library needs in disadvantaged rural areas. She will head the service in specific areas of Bamberg and Edgefield Counties. Miss Murtha is a former social case worker, receiving her degrees from the University of Pennsylvania. Since coming to Aiken Miss Murtha has been active in volunteer work with The Hitchcock Rehabilitation Center.

The Bamberg County Library building is not quite two years old, but already additional shelving is being installed, reports Mrs. Herman Rice, County Librarian.

Mrs. Robbie Gross, North Augusta Librarian, states that the Garden Clubs of North Augusta will provide flower arrangements for the Library, each club taking responsibility for a month. An interested group of Library patrons has also offered to assume all responsibility for library grounds improvement and upkeep.

Housing for the Blackville Branch of the ABBE Regional Library has been doubled in size by removing a wall of an adjacent room in the City Hall. The City Hall, erected a few years ago, provided space for the library at its beginning. The newly-opened room is being used as a Children's Area.

Anderson County Library

The Belton Branch library held open house in the basement which has been renovated to serve as a reference and recreation area for young people.

Calhoun County Library

A friend of the library has placed on loan to the library the compact edition of the Oxford English Dictionary, which was reproduced micrographically by the Oxford University Press.

Cherokee County Public Library

The library has received gift copies of Dr. Montague McMillan's A History

of Limestone College. Jules Anderson, President of the Limestone College Student Government Association, presented one copy and one was presented as a memorial to Mrs. Ruth DeCamps McMillan by the Tuesday Book Club.

Dillon County Library

Mrs. Flora H. Hooker, a member of the Pee Dee chapter, Colonial Dames, has presented a copy of The Most Ironic Story in American History, a documented history of the Lumbee Indians in North Carolina, by Lew Hamer, to the Dillon County Library.

Florence County Library

Douglas Ernest, Reference Librarian of the Florence County Library, has recently compiled a booklet titled "Black Literature in the Florence County Library." This bibliography includes books and other materials about and by black Americans and black Africans.

Mrs. Marie Bartelle has joined the Extension Department staff of the Florence County Library.

On December 1, 1971, Mrs. Gloria Pritchard, became Circulation Librarian of the Florence County Library, filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Aline Reis. Mrs. Reis will continue working at the library on a part-time basis.

The Florence County Library observed the month of December as "Fine Free Month," at all the branches and on the bookmobile as well as at the Headquarters Library.

Greenville County Library

The exhibit in the South Carolina Historical Room for December was entitled: "Beginnings of Religion in South Carolina" showing early churches from all over the state as well as tying in the Christmas theme for the Yule Tide Season.

Mrs. Verena Bryson, Director of Community Relations, conducted a tour of the library for the Azalea Garden Club of Greer after which they presented the library with a beautiful flower arrangement. The Casa Loma Community Club toured the library that same night. On November 18th a slide presentation was given to the Dental Auxiliary and on Monday, November 29th, the Director spoke to the Fountain Inn Rotary Club and gave a slide presentation of the library services offered.

On Thursday, November 11th, the Library Stay-At-Home Tour on Oslo was presented by Mr. Jan Bunes. One hundred and five attended the lecture.

The Alester G. Furman Company which manages the Bell Tower Shopping Center has given the Greenville County Library a display case to publicize the library.

The Tigerville branch library is now in a converted mobile facility on the North Greenville Junior College Campus.

Laurens County Library

The Laurens Advertiser devoted a page to pictures of children attending the story hours at the library and describing the small disasters which caused the children's librarian, Mrs. Margaret Haynes, to remark that story hour had never been this hectic.

Lee County Public Library

Mr. and Mrs. John Lehman of Bainbridge, Penn. presented a water color painting of The Lee County Fair-1945, to the Lee County Public Library on November 29, 1971. Mr. Lehman, a professional artist, has exhibited this painting in a number of art exhibits and has won awards on it. Mrs. Lehman is the former Barbara Lee Shaw of Bishopville, S. C.

Pickens County Library

Mrs. Charles Taylor is a new assistant at the headquarters library in Easley. Mrs. Taylor is a native of St. George, a graduate of Anderson and Limestone Colleges and a former school librarian.

Richland County Public Library

Ben R. Morris, Co-publisher of the State-Record Newspapers, is a new member of the Board.

A ramp with railings for the accommodation of patrons in wheelchairs or otherwise handicapped has been installed at the Washington Street entrance to the Main Library.

On December 1, 1971, the library began a cooperative program with local Girl Scouts. Seven Senior Scouts will donate fifty hours of volunteer time as a part of their community placement. The girls will work in the main library and the branches.

A book, What You Should Know About the Purple Martin by J. L. Wade, has been presented to the Cooper Branch Library by the Forest Acres Girl Scouts. A Purple Martin bird house was displayed in the library as a part of the Girl Scout Eco-Action program for 1971-72.

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY NEWS

College of Charleston

The College of Charleston Foundation has established three trust funds, one of which is a librarianship fund for the Robert Scott Small Library. The Foundation was formed shortly after the college became a state institution to provide for activities such as scholarships, athletics, faculty enrichment programs which the state cannot provide.

Erskine College

E. D. Sloan, Jr., Greenville, has presented twenty reproductions of early

maps of Scotland, Virginia and the Carolinas to the McCain Library of Erskine College.

Francis Marion College

James A. Rogers, Chairman of the State College Board of Trustees, and for whom the library is named, carried the first volumes into the new building. The move was completed December 13.

A set of the Greek Classics was presented to the library by the Florence Chapter of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association.

FORT LIBRARY HONORS MEDAL WINNER

The new library building at Fort Jackson has been named the Thomas Lee Hall Library in memory of Sergeant Hall of the 30th Division who received the Congressional Medal of Honor during World War I. A native of Fort Mill, he was killed in action.

On January 14, a commemorative plaque with a replica of the Medal and the accompanying citation will be unveiled in the library. General William S. Coleman, Commanding General, Fort Jackson and Mrs. R. G. Eubanks, Sergeant Hall's sister will unveil the plaque.

General Jack McFarland, Deputy Commanding General will preside at the ceremonies.

Maude C. Dowtin is chief librarian at the Fort.

PAGELAND LIBRARY DEDICATED

Some 100 people attended the formal opening of the Pageland branch of the Chesterfield County Library on December 5. The program was held at the Town Hall because of the inclement weather.

E. M. Sweatt, chairman of the county library board, presided. Senator C. A. Harris introduced the speaker, Representative Robert A. Raley. Mr. Raley reviewed the history of the county library and praised Colonel E. B. Stevenson's efforts in organizing it.

Mrs. Jerry Teal, whose husband is the Pageland representative on the county library board, cut the ribbons.

Colonel E. B. Stevenson is the county librarian and Mrs. Robert L. Rollings, Jr. is in charge of the branch.

HELP FOR THE DISADVANTAGED

Many libraries need basic adult education material in their collections for disadvantaged projects and are finding it difficult to locate that which is not of the textbook-workbook variety. Since it is not their job to supply adult education

classes with textbooks, many libraries are making a special effort to find attractive, well-written supplementary material with mature-interest and low-vocabulary. Some which have been used successfully are described here.

Reader's Digest Services, Inc., Educational Division, Pleasantville, N. Y. 10570, offers twelve titles in its adult readers. With varying levels of reading, these 32 page booklets sell for only 30¢ each. The Koinonia Foundation, P. O. Box 5744, Baltimore, Md. 21208, with its excellent adult literacy publications, informs us that although they no longer publish, some of their materials are still available and at a very reasonable cost. New Reader's Press, Box 131, Syracuse, N. Y. 13210, offers a number of supplementary books and an excellent series of booklets entitled "Be Informed."

Although written for work with Indians, seven adult education booklets distributed by Publications Service, Haskell Indian Junior College, Lawrence, Kan. 66044, may be used by any adult or young person. These booklets, which range in price from 15¢ to 30¢ each, are factual and include such titles as "Buying and Caring for Your Car" and "Table Manners." Many librarians are already familiar with Steck-Vaughn's "Soft-Cover Adult Library." These nine titles may be obtained from The Steck-Vaughn Company, P. O. Box 2028, Austin, Texas, 78767.

Two attractive series, the "Pacemaker Story Books" and "Adventures in Space" as well as other materials are available from Fearon Publishers, Lear Siegler, Inc., Education Div., 6 Davis Drive, Belmont, Calif. 94002. These are attractive to beginning adult readers and children who are slow readers. A most attractive series, the "Open Door" books, is available from Children's Press, 1224 West Van Buren Street, Chicago, Ill. 60607. Available in hardback (\$2.25) and paperback (75¢), each book is the success story of a real person from a minority group who started at the bottom and reached the top in his chosen field.

If any library would like to share information about other adult education material, please send it to Norma Lightsey at the State Library.

LIBRARIAN HONORED

Mrs. Beverly Riley Ulmer, Librarian of the Orangeburg County Library was the subject of the feature, People Worth Knowing, in the Orangeburg Times-Democrat for December 19.

CAROLINIANA

Chase, Judith Wragg. Afro-American Art and Craft. Van Nostrand Reinhold Co. \$12.95. "... describes the artistic heritage of the American Negro and shows how traditions and skills brought from Africa were utilized in this country, and how the transition was made."

Mrs. Chase, an artist and teacher as well as an author, is curator of the Old Slave Mart Museum in Charleston.

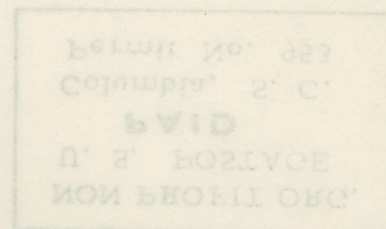
The author, Box 446, Sullivan's Island, S. C. 29482, will give 25% discount to libraries.

Hall, Lindsey G. Things and Incidents of Long Ago. State Printing Company. \$8.00.
Many of the incidents concern 19th century life and events in Lexington County.

Halsey, William. A Travel Sketch Book. R. L. Bryan. \$8.95.
Charleston artist William Halsey and his wife, Corrie McCallum, are joint authors of this book which contains black and white prints of their sketches done on trips to 26 foreign countries between 1960 and 1971.

Montgomery, Rachal. Camden Heritage. R. L. Bryan. \$6.95.
A collection of stories about Camden with an account of the inauguration of Governor John C. West. William F. Buckley wrote the introduction.

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